

NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Vehicle Pursuit Arrest

Location: Olive St. @ West Center St.

Date/Time Occurred: 11-01-20 @ 0244 hrs.

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol

Suspect(s): Erik Hernandez, 25 yrs., Ventura Resident,

Santiago Gomez, 28 yrs., Ventura Resident,

Report #: 20-71792

Narrative:

On the above date and time, a Ventura police officer was patrolling in the area of Prospect St. and Olive St. and observed a vehicle fail to stop for a stop sign. The officer attempted a traffic stop at Olive St. and West Center St. however, the driver did not stop. A vehicle pursuit was initiated and traveled for about ½ mile through residential streets with speeds reaching 35mph. The driver committed multiple vehicle code violations before stopping in at E. Prospect St. and Ventura Ave. where patrol officers took the driver and a passenger into custody without incident.

The driver, Erick Hernandez, was arrested for felony evading and driving under the influence of alcohol. The passenger, Santiago Gomez, was arrested for felon in possession of ammunition. There were no injuries as a result of this incident.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.